Last of Series of Speeches on This Most Interesting Subject.

VIEWS OF SUPT. LEE BRITT

Nansemond Educator Has Exalted Opinion of the Opposite Sex.

A speech by Superintendent Lee Britt, of Nansemond, on "Womans Work in the Schools" made during the discussion of that subject at the Educational Conference here last year, is the last of that series, a number of others having been heretofore printed. The Superintendent of Nansemond County opened his remarks with the following eloquent tribute to woman, all the more interesting probably from the daring feat of the driver in approaching yet skillfully avoiding any offensive reference to the historic scene touched upon by one of the masters of poetic expression in these memorable words:

"Of man's first disebedience and the fruit Of that forbidden tree whose mortal taste

Brought death into the world and all our woe," etc.

Promoter of the Past.

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Superintendent Britt said: "In my treatment of the subject I shall consider woman as the promoter of the past, the sustainer of the present, and the mainspring, the developer and the progress impelling motor of the future in public education, in her dual capacity as thought director and trainer in the school-room, and as mother, the queen of the home circle, neath her own vine and fig tree. Between the home and the school there is the indissoluble tie of interest, which cannot be sundered without injury to both. What is the most important factor in the protection of this dual development? Since God spoke and chaotic matter sprang into form and comeliness, creating the Barth, and the hills were clothed with verdure and the valleys teemed with animate creation, woman achieved the first success in the exercise of that subtle persuasive power that brought man a willing victim to her feet, although in that success she violated and broke the first commandment.

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Clothed with conscious power, . hich became imbedded in the warp and woof of her being and nature, and possibly, in atonement for her crime and ex-plation for her offense, it has been her mission to lead the infant, from the moment of his lisping prayer at her maternal kace though the plastic, moulding period of youth, into the development of manhood, and womanhood.

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relating period of youth, into the development of manhood and womanhood.

This creates the thought of woman in her capacity for leading, directing, developing, educating, and suggests her relation to, and her part in, education, and for the purpose of our subject, in public education. Her inherent qualities, as her endowment by nature and her self-created attributes, when cultured, pereminently fit her for dominant sway both in the home and in the school, and guarantee the best possible results, to the little child, the central figure and the tie of interest between the school and the home. Upon the success of one depends the success of the other. The aim of one should be the aim of the other, the development of the little child in all that is purest and bost."

As the Mother.

Considering Woman as the Mother the Home, Superintendent Britt

observes:
"As the child develops, there grad-ually awakens in him attributes which make it possible for him to respond to similar qualities in the mother, says the psychologist.

The embryonic mind unfolds to the gentle, persuasive, loving touch of the mother heart and mind, and the awak-

mother heart and mind, and the awakening stamps the maternal attributes upon the young life.

"The fundamental agency of the earliest education is the family really the mother, and her impress is the shaping, the moulding of young life development."

"She invises and implants in the little mind her qualities, and the process of assimilation and appropriation begins; although the evidence is not visible, yet it is there.

"Under the magic of her heart and mind touch educative and developing the awakening of infantile nature discloses the inciplent attributes of the mother.

s secular, perhaps, the public school wider and more comprehensive

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child in the home so that the best facilities for doing the work required at home may be followed by the best

at home may be followed by the best results in the school.

"She should uphold and commend the disripline of the school, so necessary to its success, and thereby make easier the discipline in the home circle. "She should support and sympathize with the earnest and faithful teacher, who strives to develop the best interests of the child in leading and directing the little mind in its groping for the light of knowledge."

Entitled to More.

Superintendent Britt then proceeds to argue that as a teacher, the true woman of cultivated and trained mine and moral nature developed along the purest lines has not received the congrade were opened to girls, and says:
"Some thinkers began to see the need
of female teachers. The hope of the
nation was then, and is now, in the
training of the young, and the first
training began at the mother's knee.
The mental training by both mother
and teacher followed the mouldisg of
the mother, and the wisest saw that
the transference of the little child in
its mental unfolding and development
from woman, as the mother, to woman,
as the teacher, was the proper, the
natural and the right course to obtain
the best results in the training of the
child.

to such work and her natural endowments of gentleness, love inspiring and confidence inspiring, persuasiveness, refinement of manner and conscientiousness, developed and trained as a teacher, has forced man out of primary work, and is slowly driving him, inch by inch, out of secondary school work, where she will soon hold supreme sway, as now in primary work. It was fore-ordained from the beginning of things, as well as from the foundation of educational training and the establishment of educational principles, that woman, as a teacher, should and would utilinately, hold universally sway in primary and secondary schools. In Virgina, her progress has been marked along every line.

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Further quotations is made from this nteresting paper:
The old idea that the mind of man is superior to that of woman has proved to be a myth, a vagary of man's proud assumption, a theory long since exploded by cold facts, history and ex-

exploded by cold facts, listory and experience.

From boyhood, for many years, I belonged to the class of egotists, psuede-psyschologists or philosophers, which believed in the superiority of the mind of man over that of woman, in fact, on one accasion, when a boy in a debating society, I proved to the satisfaction of the eminent judges that my sex could justly beast of mental superiority, but I have long since repented of my sin of commission and am a convert from such belief and now throw down the gamtlet in challenge to him who dares charge that woman is not the peer of man in natural mental endowment."

Has Made Great Progress.

Mr. Paul Gunn, of Silverton, Colorado, started for his Virginia, home last week, bis rother. He suicide of his brother. He s

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After unberdening his soul with this candid admission, which was heartly applauded by his fellow superintendents, many of whom no doubt were equally as guilty, Superintendent Britt makes the following bold and significant statements:

"In the exercise of disciplinary powers, which the world has accredited almost exclusively to man as a teacher, for a century past, because of his supposed superior physical strength, woman has made rapid progress in her own peculiar development until she is ready to cope with man in ability along this line, especially since mere brute force is no longer the essential element in disciplinary power in the school-room.

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"In higher education, as an instructor in competition with man, she has proved herself to be a "foeman worth of his steel," and has often curpassed him in her great success in this field. "She has pre-empted the field in primary and secondary selucational training, and has boildy and without apolosy, entered the lists for contests in the higher and more advanced work of intellectual training.

"I believe that all thinking men, and women, too, certainly the latter, will agree with me in the position taken, and if it be sustained, then we should lay our homage at her feet for her wonderful, achievements in her chosen profession, and encourage her to greater endeavor and a higher, fuller, purer, and nobler culture of mind and heart for the work of life peculiarly her own until she shall attain the standard of the ideal teacher, in qualifications and accomplishments."

Other Reasons.

"What was the cause of this rumpus?"
asked the Judge,
"Well, you see, Judge," replied the
policeman, "this man here and that we
man there are married—"
"Yes, yes, I know, But what other
cause?"—Pick-Me-Up,

"Yes, and mother-in-law visits longer than ever."--Washington Herald.

Smithfield Society.

MONTEREY SOCIAL

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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

MONTERISY, VA., April 13.—It is needless to say that Highland at her attitude came in for the lion's share of the April storms. This is an off year, so to speak, in the matter of fruit, the crop of last year laving been abundant, but it goes without saying that the late storms have killed or damaged all early varieties. Many of the young apple, plum and damson trees, caught by the freeze last fall, have been given over as hopelessly and entirely killed and have been uprocted to make room for new stock. Mr. C. A. Trimble, much-interested in fruit growing, and one of the heaviest losers, has removed two hundred dead apple trees from one orchard on Straight Creek, and all his finest varieties of plums and damsons, grown hear his town residence, have been lost. The freeze, which wrought this havoc, however, was that of October last—one of unparallelled severity for that early season, and not likely to occur again in a century.

Highland is a fine fruit section and many of the best varieties grow to perfection. Extensive purchases of nursery stock, now being delivered are indications of commendable faith and perseverance.

The outlook for early operations in the development of Highland's interests is good. It is believed by many that the days of buying and selling for speculation are about at an end and that some of the present owners of large tracts will, in early spring, take decisive steps in the direction of utilizing and marketing the timber. These lands are being inspected by contrac, tors, circful surveys are being made, and the United States Lumber Company now have a legal representative heat or promising a "boom," is encohrag-not promising a "boom," is encohrag-not promising a "boom," is encohrag-

AT THE MECKLENBURG

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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CHASE CITY, VA., April 13.—Dr. W.

A. Applegate and wife of Washington.
D. C., are spending some time here
most beneficially.

Mr. Winder Harris, of Raleigh, N. C.,
who is here for the sanitarium treatment, is one of the most popular guests
at the Mecklenburg.

Pennsylvania is at present represented by Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Gillinder, of
Philadelphia, who are spending their
honeymoon here, and by Mr. and Mrs.
A. M. Meanor, Mrs. E. Hankey and Miss
Hankey, of Parnassus.

Lynchburg has a very pleasant party
here in Mrs. C. W. Guggenheimer,
Misses Guggenheimer, little Max Guggenheimer and maid.

Col. and Mrs. Thos. S. Kenan, of
Ralegila, N. C., left last week after a
stay of-several weeks, the second during the season, Both Col. and Mrs.
Kenan are among the very popular
North Carolinians who come reguality
to the Mecklenburg, and their welcome
is always assured.

Mr. P. P. Watson, a prominent tobacconist of Martinsville, is spending
some time here.

Major C. A. Dempesy, of Richmond,
Va., was a guest at the Mecklenburg
inst week, having come to Chas City
to inspect the Mecklenburg Guards.

Mrs. Currie Branch Law of Cholnnati, who has been spending several
months here with here sister, Mrs. A.
J. Cooke, left last week for an exten-

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SMITHFHELD, VA., April 13.—Master William Green, son of Rev. W. F. Green, has been quite sick for the past week.
Miss Cooper, of New York, is visiting Mrs. Chalmers on Mason Street.
Mr. George Hearn left last week for Washington, where he has accepted a position.

position.
Little Rosa and Junic Johnson were confined to their home last week by sickness.

Rev. R. B. Scott was called to the bedside of his son, R. Soliman Scott, of Boston, Mass., last Monday, Miss Maggie Edwards has returned home after a delightful visit to friends in Newport News.

Mrs. C. E. Hutchins has returned to her home in Portsmouth after a delightful visit to her sister, Mrs. W. W. Joyner.

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Miss Mny Cooper has returned after a visit to relatives in Norfolk.

Miss Rawis, of Suñolk, is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. H. Williams, Dr. and Mrs. Ames and two children left last Saturday for Prengateague to attend the gaiden anniversary of Dr. Ames's mother and father.

Mr. Charles Bushy, of Norfolk, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Adelstim. Misses Mangaret East and Mabel Turner have returned home after a pleasant visit to the Misses Hart.

The A. P. V. A. gave a bazaar Thursday and Friday night at the Armory Hall for the benefit of old St. Luke's. Quite a large sum was realized.

Mr. John Parrish is at Sarah Leigh's Mospital, where he has undergone an operation for appendicitis.

Misses Nancy Clements and Ruth Nelms entertained very delightfully Monday evening at the home of Mrs. J. J. Thomas a rew friends. Many games were indulged in, among the most interesting features of the evening were several guessing contests, Miss Mary Joyner winning the girl's prize in each contest, and Mr. James Jorden the boys. At a late hour dainty refreshments were served. The following voung popple were present. Misses Carrio Petman, Fannie Tuliass, Vern Gay, Mabel Epes, Slandy Cofer, May Branch, Lucy Epes, Nannie Dick. Carrie Libbey, Elizabeth Wilson, Margaret Whitly, Eugle Johnson and Mary Joyner, Messrs Theo. Barrier, Gaston Nelms, Frank Jorden, James Jorden, Wash Reed, Sydney Cox, Jack Wilson, Robert Carder, Nolan Carder, Shephard Rouse and Robert Scott.

MONTEREY SOCIAL

who will make a six weeks' stay in the county.

Activity in the building line, while not promising a "boom," is encoloraging. W. Price Campbell, a thrifty farmer of Back Creek, is preparing to erect a handsome residence. Contractor Bussard, of Monterey, has broken ground for a modern up-to-date residence for Mr. Don Sullinberger on South Spruce, and Messrs. Samuel Hevener and Isaac White will also erect dwellings on their plantations near Monterey.

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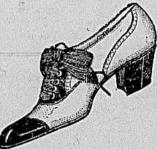
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sive Southern trip, accompanied by Mrs. Cooke, and her sen, Buell.

EX-Congressman Burn and Mrs. Bunn, of Rocky Mount, N. C., are spending sime time here for the sanitarium treatment for Mr. Bunn.

Miss Mamie Guthrie, of Lynchburg, and Miss Louise Penick, of South Boston, left last week after a very delightful stay at the Mecklenburg. While here they were among the most popular girls in the house, and gained many admiring friends.

The management, at present, is making final preparations for the opening of the Mecklenburg Booth at the Jamestown Exposition, where they will have a most attractive representation.

WARRENTON.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WARRENTON, VA., April 13.—A
little romance of peculiar interest, and not wholly without sentiment, has recently come to light here, in which a popular and well-known matron of this town was the heroine. It happened in 1861, the first year of the war, when the Warrenton Rifles were camping near Pairfax Courthouse, at a little place called Centreville. Three Warrenton girls were on their way to see their brothers, or perhaps sweethearts, in the Warrenton Rifles, and were held up by a picket guard in command of Lieutenant W. D. Thomas, of Campany E. First South Carolina Infantry, and asked to show a passport. In a little conversation which naturally followed one of the young ladies asked the lieutenant for a palmetto button from his uniform, which he gallantly gave her, and in return for which she gave him a gold bracelet she then were on her arm, and in which her name (A—P—H—) was scratched, porhaps with a pin. This occurred on the morning that the brave and intrepld Capt. John Quincy Marr was killed near Fairfax Courthouse, and the plekets were under strict orders to allow no one to pass. Years have passed since that memorable morning, and while the paths of these two young hearts have been wide apart, yet the memories of that morning did not fade, and recently a letter to Mr. John R. Turner, clerk of the Circuit Court, from Lieutenant Thomas, new of Gaffney, S. C., inquiring iff this young lady still lived in this community, and, if she was married, etc. The roply carried the information that she had long been married, and continued to live in this place, and her married name was givm. Following this, letters were exchanged between the two, resulting in the return of the bracelet and with the request that it be given to the daughter bearing her name.

Miss Jane Forbes, who attended the festivities of Easter week at the University of Virginia, is at home again. Mr. Mosby Campbell was in town recently for a short visit.

Mr. DeLancey Evans, special field agent, United States Depa [Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BON AIR, VA., April 13.—Mrs. Harry
L. Shaner, who returned with Mrs.
Morton from Baltimore, only remained

Miss Sadie Sublett has gene to

Washington to make the Misses Williamson a visit.

Mr. E. R. W. Barker recently sold a fine young hunter to a Northern party for the neat sum of \$1,000. The fame of Virginia horses is becoming widespread.

Miss Mary Kennedy, who has been in Cincinnati for several months, is at Cassiles again.

Miss Ida Evans, after spending most of the winter in North Carolina, is at home again.

Miss Elizabeth Gaines, who has been visiting in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, is at Mr. Hugh Hamilton's with her parents, Colonel and Mr. Grenville Gaines.

Miss Nan Payne, after makig a prolonged visit to Atlanta, ga., is in Warrenton again.

Mr. H. Peebles, of Atlanta, spent a few days here last week.

Miss Virginia Primrose, after making a visit to Miss Rosa Tongue, of this place, has returned to her home in Baitimore.

BOM AID COCIAL

Mrs. George Tailott has returned from a visit to her mother, in An-napolis.

Misses Moss at I Atkins have been recent guests of Mrs. Brown.
Mr. W. C. Moore and family are
living with Mr. Moore's family since
the loss of his home by fire last Wed-

Morton from Baltimore, only remained a few days, leaving for home, in Lynchburg, last Monday.

Mr. D. J. Thayer has returned to his home, in Washington, D. C., having guest of Darnley Adamson.

The Man and the Maid

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